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trend of modern society toward universal participation in government.

A detailed analysis of contents by chapters forms a valuable appendix, which would be helpful if the book were used as a text-book in sociological study.

THE GERMAN EMPEROR AND THE PEACE OF THE WORLD. By Alfred H. Fried. With a preface by Norman Angell. 214 pages. Price, $1.50, net. New York and London: Hodder and Stoughton.

In his introduction the author explains that the book is intended to show the German Emperor's attitude toward world peace and to explain his views for the promotion of a community of States. In six chapters we are given a clear account of how the "War Lord" is developing into a "Peacemaker." The various occasions on which the Emperor has expressed his belief in the "necessity of a union between the nations of Europe in the interests of humanity and civilization;" his friendly relations with many of the pacifists and his growing interest in the movement which they represent; the number of arbitration treaties in which Germany has been a party in the last ten years, and similar manifestations of the growing interest in peace during the Emperor's reign, are among the points dwelt upon. The steps are traced by which Germany was led to withdraw her opposition to the optional court of arbitration and the permanent tribunal at the First Hague Conference. One chapter is devoted to the Emperor's relations with France—his kindly feelings, his attitude of courtesy, and the liking which the French people have for him. That the Emperor will one day see how unsatisfactory is the method of preserving peace by being prepared for war, and will perhaps himself be the one to bring about a peace alliance of Europe, is the belief of Mr. Fried.

Mr. Fried has devoted his life to the work of pacifism; he is the editor of *"Die Friedenswarte,"* one of the most important of the peace periodicals, and has been the recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize for his valiant labors in the cause. He is therefore well fitted to write impartially and without prejudice.

THE ESSENTIALS OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC LAW. By Amos S. Hershey, Ph. D. New York: The Macmillan Company, 66 Fifth avenue. 558 pages. Price, $3.00 net.

The author of this work is professor of Political Science and International Law in the State University of Indiana, and is well known as an able writer of magazine articles on public questions of the day, particularly those of an international character. The purpose of his work is to furnish teachers and students with an up-to-date text suited to the needs of the class-room, and also furnish specialists and the general public with a scientific treatise on the subject. The work is based mainly on contemporary sources and authorities, and contains reviews of the more important of the recent contributions to International Law contained in periodicals and monographs. Dr. Hershey has included in the body of the text those parts of International Law which have been codified, viz., The Hague Conventions, etc. Part IV will especially interest pacifists, as it deals with methods of settling international differences, both amicable and non-amicable. The whole work bears evidence of an enormous amount of study and research and of the careful and wise use of the material examined. The book is a real contribution to the literature of the recent history and progress of International Law, and ought to be of very great value to students of the subject. Its value is much heightened by an unusually complete list of authorities and a table of cases.

PEACE THEORIES AND THE BALKAN WAR. By "Norman Angell." London: Horace Marshall and Son. 140 pages. Paper, 1 shilling, net; cloth, 1 shilling six pence, net.

This booklet, by the author of "The Great Illusion," is an application of the peace theories of that remarkable work to the present conflict between the Balkan Allies and Turkey. It contains the author's replies to various objections which have been raised against his theories since the outbreak of the Balkan war. It is in the writer's well-known strong and lucid style.

THE FIRST HAGUE CONFERENCE. By Andrew D. White. Boston: The World Peace Foundation. 123 pages. Price, 55 cents.

The chapters of this small book are a reprint of the interesting and instructive sections of ex-Ambassador White's autobiography, which recorded his experiences as head of the American delegation at the first Hague Conference. There is no better source of information about what was done in that memorable first Hague Conference, in which Dr. White played so conspicuous a part.

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